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RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

Presently, claims 1 to 29 are pending in the application. Claims 1 to 7, 9, 10, 18 to 23 and 25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by the Krahe GB 2,191,585 patent and claims 1 to 3, 9, 10, 18, 19 and 25 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by the Foller WO 91/05998. Claims 11 to 17 and 26 to 29 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as being obvious over either Foller or Krahe in view of the Pai et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,156,267 and the Lin U.S. Patent No. 6,193,931. Claims 1 to 29 stand provisionally rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1 to 16 of the co-pending application no. 10/230,527 as well as over claims 1 to 29 of Application No. 10/016,058. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections and request reconsideration and reexamination of the application.